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**The Department of Housing and Community Development  
Awards \$48.1 Million in Proposition 46 Funding  
to Create Emergency Shelter and Permanent Housing for  
Homeless Californians**

**(Los Angeles)** – California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Director Lynn L. Jacobs announced the award of \$48.1 million in Proposition 46 funds. The awards were distributed among 10 counties to provide emergency shelter and permanent housing opportunities for 779 of California's homeless and neediest residents. Proposition 46 is the \$2.1 billion housing bond approved by voters in November 2002.

"When I became Governor, I ordered that Proposition 46 funding be expedited so homes and shelters could be built more quickly," said Gov. Schwarzenegger. "I am also proud to announce the second award of funds from my Initiative to End Chronic Homelessness. The award is given to a project in the city of Long Beach dedicated to helping chronically homeless individuals receive the shelter and services they need to regain a healthy and productive life." The Initiative to End Chronic Homelessness offers \$40 million to assist homeless individuals and families transition to permanent, stable housing and lives.

"Gov. Schwarzenegger is committed to making safe and affordable housing a reality for our most vulnerable residents," said Secretary of Business, Transportation, and Housing Sunne Wright McPeak. "Today's awards will help 779 families or individuals secure safe and affordable housing to help rebuild their lives while supporting local economies through construction related activities."

Awards were made through the following HCD programs:

- \$40.9 million in awards through the Multifamily Housing Program-Supportive Services and its Supportive Housing Component will provide permanent low-interest loans for the construction of new affordable apartment homes and rehabilitation of existing affordable units. Californians who have experienced homelessness and chronic mental illness are among the future residents of the homes that will be constructed or rehabilitated. The awards will help 451 California families or individuals.

- \$6.5 million through the Emergency Housing Assistance Program – Capital Development Component which awards funds for capital development activities for emergency shelters, transitional housing and safe havens that provide shelter and supportive services for homeless individuals and families. The awards will provide 310 shelter spaces.
- \$680,463 providing for 18 rental homes through the Governor’s Initiative to End Chronic Homelessness which recognizes the need for more permanent housing for our chronically homeless.

“The awards announced today will help local communities provide urgently needed emergency shelter and permanent housing for their neediest residents,” said Director Jacobs.

HCD provides leadership, policies and programs to preserve and expand safe and affordable housing opportunities and promote strong communities for all Californians. The Department also supports increasing the supply of housing, especially affordable housing and works to improve the state’s housing conditions and the health and safety of its residents. As the lead housing department, HCD is part of the state Business, Transportation and Housing Agency.

### **San Francisco/Bay Area Region**

The San Francisco/Bay Area Region will receive more than \$23.9 million to provide housing for 274 families and individuals. This includes over \$23.6 million creating affordable apartment homes through the Multifamily Housing Program-Supportive Housing Component and \$279,788 in awards through the Emergency Housing Assistance Program - Capital Development Component. (For details, see Editor’s Note.)

### **Los Angeles Region**

The Los Angeles Region will receive more than \$19 million to provide housing for 336 families and individuals. This includes over \$17.3 million creating affordable apartment homes through the Multifamily Housing Program-Supportive Housing Component, \$1 million in awards through the Emergency Housing Assistance Program - Capital Development Component and \$680,463 through the Governor’s Initiative to End Chronic Homelessness. (For details, see Editor’s Note.)

### **Other Regions**

Other regions will receive more than \$3.4 million to provide housing for 133 families and individuals through the Emergency Housing Assistance Program - Capital Development Component. (For details, see Editor’s Note.)

### **Central Valley**

The Central Valley will receive more than \$862,000 to provide housing for 12 families and individuals through the Emergency Housing Assistance Program - Capital Development Component. (For details, see Editor's Note.)

### **Greater Sacramento/Stockton Region**

The Greater Sacramento/Stockton Region will receive \$1 million to provide housing for 24 families and individuals in the Greater Sacramento/Stockton Region through the Emergency Housing Assistance Program - Capital Development Component funds. (For details, see Editor's Note.)

#### **Editor's Note:**

For an electronic copy of this release, go to:

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